Train Services in U.P.

2844. DR. SWAMI SAKSHI JI MAHARAJ: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the areas in U.P. which are without train services and need the same;

(b) the areas in the State where train services are deficient; and

(c) the steps being taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) to (c) There is a vast network of railway lines covering the State of Uttar Pradesh where train services are in operation. However, a number of projects for development of rail infrastructure in the State are also in progress on operational, socio-economic and other considerations. The train services are also being augmented from time to time subject to operational feasibility, availability of resources and traffic requirements.

Funds for Railway works in Kerala

2845. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allotted and spent by Government during the last three years to undertake works in Kerala;

(b) whether any diversion of funds has taken place during the same period; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) Some of the Railway project fall partly in the state. The funds allocated /expenditure incurred is maintained project wise. Hence it is not feasible to indicate funds/expenditure, state-wise.

(b) and (c) the allocation to projects is done keeping in view the inter-se requirement of the various projects and the avail ibility of